HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE AGENDA



Thursday 29th January 2009

at 2.00 pm

in Committee Room A, Civic Centre, Hartlepool

MEMBERS: HACKNEYCARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE:

Councillors Atkinson, R Cook, Fleet, Griffin and London

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

3. MINUTES

- 3.1 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 10th June 2008 (*attached*)
- 3.2 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 9th October 2008 (*attached*)

4. **IT EMS FOR INFORMATION** No items

5. ANY OTHER ITEMS THE CHAIR CONSIDERS ARE URGENT

EXEMPT ITEMS

Under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs referred to below of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

6. **ITEMS FOR DECISION**

- 6.1 Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence NB Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection (Para 3)
- 6.2 Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence JEM Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection (Para 3)
- 6.3 Private Hire Drivers Licence KMMc Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection (Para 3)
- 6.4 Private Hire Drivers Licence GR Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection (Para 3)
- 6.5 Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence RB Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection (Para 3)

7. ANY OTHER CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIR CONSIDERS ARE URGENT



LICENSING COMMITTEE

Procedure For Contentious Matters Relating To Hackney Carriage/Private Hire Licensing Sub Committee

The hearing will be in private and not open to the press or members of the public. The applicant/ appellant will be entitled to be represented by a solicitor or other person.

In advance of the commencement of the meeting (or consideration of an individual case) the Democratic Services Officer shall establish the identity of those present, who they represent and who intends, or wishes, to speak. The officer should also if possible, outline the procedure to the representatives before the meeting commences.

- 1. Chairman's opening comments.
- 2. The Democratic Services Officer representative will indicate which parties are present at the meeting and will briefly outline the procedure (if not already done).
- 3. The Head of Public Protection and Housing (or his representative) will outline the facts, adding any additional information as is necessary.
- 4. Members of the Committee will have an opportunity to ask any questions of the officer.
- 5. The Head of Public Protection and Housing (or his nominated representative) will call any further witnesses or persons (including a Police Officer) to comment. Members will again have the opportunity to ask questions.
- 6. The applicant/appellant (or representative) will then put his/her case.
- 7. Members of the Committee will have an opportunity to ask any questions of the applicant/ appellant.
- 8. The applicant/appellant (or nominated representative) may call further witnesses or persons to comment. Members will again have the opportunity to ask questions.
- 9. All persons other than Committee members will then withdraw whilst the matter is considered and a decision reached.
- 10. Should members require further information at stage, all parties are to be invited to return.
- 11. All parties will be recalled to hear the decision of the members.

- 12. Should the decision go against the applicant/appellant, he/she will be informed verbally of the right of appeal to the Magistrates Court.
- 13. The decision will then be communicated to the applicant/appellant in writing as soon as practicable together with details of the right of appeal to the Magistrates Court within 21 days.

NOTES

Members of the Committee should ask only specific relevant questions and avoid debating the issue until all parties have withdrawn.

Only members present during the whole of the hearing should be involved in the decision making process.

An application for adjournment should be granted by the Chairperson at any time during the proceedings, if it is felt that the applicant/appellant is not receiving a fair hearing.

NO CROSS EXAMINATION IS TO TAKE PLACE AT THE MEETING.

Each party is to be allowed to make representation to the Members without interruption.

HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES AND DECISION RECORD

10 June 2008

The meeting commenced at 10.00 a.m. in the Avondale Centre, Dyke House School, Hartlepool

Present:

Councillors Atkinson, Brash, R W Cook (Chair), Fleet, and G Lilley

Officers: Ian Harrison, Principal Licensing Officer Richard Smith, Locum Solicitor Teresa Devito, Safeguarding Manager, Children's Services Sarah Bird, Democratic Services Officer

Also Present, Sergeant Chris Dawber, Cleveland Police

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Sheila Griffin and George Morris.

2. Declarations of Interest by Members

None

3. Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 17 March 2008

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th March 2008 were confirmed as a true record.

4. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

Under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and

public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely discussion of exempt information as defined in the paragraph 3 of Part 1 Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information)(Variation) Order 2006 namely information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

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Minute 5 – Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – MAC (Para 3) Minute 6 - Private Hire Driver's Licence – WM (Para 3) Minute 7 – Private Hire Driver's Licence – MAC (Para 3) Minute 8 – Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – AM (Para 3)

Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – WM (Principal 5. Licensing Officer)

(Para 3) – This item contains exempt information under schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006) namely information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Purpose of Report

To consider whether a current Hackney Carriage Driver's licence should be revoked.

Decision

The decision is set out in the exempt section of the minutes

Private Hire Driver's Licence - SSM (Principal Licensing **6**. Officer)

(Para 3) – This item contains exempt information under schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006) namely information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Purpose of Report

To consider an application for a Private Hire Driver's Licence

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Decision

The application was rejected.

Councillor Brash left the meeting at 11.45 am.

7. Private Hire Driver's Licence – MAC (Principal Licensing Officer)

(Para 3) – This item contains exempt information under schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006) namely information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Purpose of Report

To consider an application for a Private Hire Driver's Licence

Decision

The application was granted.

8. Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence – AM (Principal Licensing) Officer)

(Para 3) – This item contains exempt information under schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006) namely information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Purpose of Report

To consider an application for a Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence

Decision

The application was rejected

The meeting concluded at 12.22 pm.

CHAIRMAN

08.06.10 - Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Sub-Committee Minutes and Decision Record HARTLEPOOL BOROUGH COUNCIL

HACKNEY CARRIAGE AND PRIVATE HIRE LICENSING SUB-COMMITTEE

MINUTES AND DECISION RECORD

9th October 2008

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm. in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool

Present:

Councillor Rob Cook (in the Chair)

- Councillors Reuben Atkinson, Mary Fleet and Frances London
- Also Present in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.2 Councillor Gerard Hall as substitute for Councillor Sheila Griffin
- Officers: Ian Harrison, Principal Licensing Officer Tony MacNab, Solicitor Jo Wilson, Democratic Services Officer

Apologies for Absence 23.

Apologies were received from Councillor Sheila Griffin.

Declarations of Interest by Members 24.

None

Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 14 25. December 2007

Confirmed

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 26.

Under section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraph 3 of Part 1 Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 namely information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

Minute 27 – Private Hire Driver - KH (para 3) - This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, namely information relating to the financial of business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Minute 28 – Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Drivers Licence AJH (para 3) -This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, namely information relating to the financial of business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Minute 29 – Private Hire Driver's Licence - DD (para 3) - This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, namely information relating to the financial of business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Minute 30 – Private Hire Drivers Licence - IJR (para 3) - This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, namely information relating to the financial of business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Minute 31 – Private Hire Drivers Licence - CT (para 3) - This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, namely information relating to the financial of business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Minute 32 – Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence – MAC (para 3) - This item contains exempt information under Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972, namely information relating to the financial of business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

27. **Private Hire Driver– KH** (Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection)

Purpose of Report

To consider what action, if any, should be taken against licensed Private Hire Driver KH.

Decision

The decision is set out in the exempt section of the minutes

28. Hackney Carriage / Private Hire Driver's Licence – AJH

(Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection)

Purpose of Report

To consider what action, if any, should be taken against licensed driver AJH.

Decision

The decision is set out in the exempt section of the minutes

29. **Private Hire Driver's Licence – DD** (Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection)

Purpose of Report

To consider what action, if any, should be taken against licensed private hire driver DD.

Decision

The decision is set out in the exempt section of the minutes.

30. **Private Hire Drivers Licence – IJR** (Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection)

Purpose of Report

To consider an application for a Private Hire Drivers Licence by IJR.

Decision

The application was granted.

31. Private Hire Drivers Licence - CT (Head of Procurement, Property and Public Protection)

Purpose of Report

To consider an application for a Private Hire Drivers Licence by CT

Decision

The application was granted.

Hackney Carriage Drivers Licence - MAC (Head of 32.

Procurement, Property and Public Protection)

Purpose of Report

To consider what action, if any, should be taken against licensed Hackney Carriage driver MAC.

Decision

That the decision be deferred to a future meeting of the Committee.

The meeting concluded at 16.20 pm

ROB COOK CHAIR